

**The New Mexico Film Office Announces
the Third NM Filmmakers Experience Panel Discussion in Santa Fe
“What are teenagers doing?”**

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SANTA FE —The New Mexico State Film Office is excited to announce the expansion of the New Mexico Filmmakers Program, which includes a new series of discussions entitled the "NM Filmmakers Experience," to be held at the Santa Fe Center for Contemporary Arts. The New Mexico Filmmakers Experience consists of screenings and panel discussions, that take place the 3rd Sunday of each month from February to June. For more information, visit our website at: http://nmfilm.com/Filmmaker_Programs.aspx or contact Dirk Norris at 505-476-5671; dirk@nmfilm.com. These events are free and open to the public.

Our third Filmmakers Experience panel discussion asks “What are the teenagers doing?” What are young filmmakers learning? What are their views of filmmaking in New Mexico? Our April panelists are Samantha Filer, Miguel Aguayo, Pria Jackson, Valeria Ojeda and Tatyana Zaval. This panel will be moderated by the Media Arts Collaborative Charter School Principal Glenna Voigt.

Date: Sunday, April 21, 2013
Time: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
Location: Santa Fe Center for Contemporary Arts
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Panelist Bios: Samantha Filer is a sixteen year-old home-schooled filmmaker who has written, directed, edited and composed music for a feature length narrative called, “*The Sword of Arundel*.” Miguel Aguayo is a junior at Capitol High School in Santa Fe who says production has turned out to be a main passion in his life. Pria Jackson attends the Media Arts Collaborative Charter School in Albuquerque. She feels exposure to film led her to the conclusion that she could create documentary films. Valeria Ojeda, at the age of sixteen, began the “Film or Flight” film festival, which allows high school and college students to create a film in three days. Tatyana Zavala attends Atrisco Heritage Academy and has an interest in editing, set decoration, and wardrobe.

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